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Hongkong, 16th July 1908. (23)

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## HONGKONG HOTEL.

FIRST CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Night.

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Hongkong, 21st June, 1907.

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LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES	SOCOTRA Capt. W. R. Hickey	1st July, Daylight.	Freight only.
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Hongkong, 18th July, 1908.

## Intimations.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1908.

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7.00 a.m.	7.30 a.m.	7.30 a.m.	7.30 a.m.
7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
10.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes	Every 15 minutes

## NIGHT CARS.

1.45 p.m. and 9 p.m.	9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.
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Excellent cooking by AZ CHONG for over Seventeen Years Chief Cook with the late Mr. J. W. OSBORNE.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1908.

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HONGKONG.

WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 1908

## Public Companies.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of £3.50 per Share for the six months ending 30th June, 1908, will be payable on the 29th inst., on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, to WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1908. (667)

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMP. LTD., LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Dollars Two per Share for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1908, will be payable on the 29th instant, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, to WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Ltd.  
General Agents for The West Point Building Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1908. (668)

## Notices of Firms

KOWLOON HOTEL.

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to Notify his Clients and the Public generally that he has admitted Mr. F. E. FRED STONE into PARTNERSHIP with him in the business of the above Hotel as from 1st July, 1908, under the name and style of "OWEN STONE & CO." O. E. OWEN, Proprietor.

## NOTICE.

M. R. F. E. FRED STONE has the pleasure to inform his numerous Friends and Acquaintances (ashore and abroad) that he has joined Mr. F. E. OWEN as a PARTNER in the business of the KOWLOON HOTEL, as from the 1st July, 1908, under the name and style of "OWEN STONE & CO."

He trusts that they will extend to the new Firm a Share of their patronage.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1908. (665)

## NOTICE.

M. R. L. GAMEAU (late Manager of A. CHAZALON & Co.) has the pleasure to inform his Numerous Customers and the Public generally that he has bought over the business of Messrs. A. CHAZALON & Co., as from 1st July, 1908 and will carry on same under the name and style of "FRENCH STORE." He trusts that the same kind patronage will be extended by his customers and the public.

All accounts due to the firm of A. CHAZALON & Co. will be collected by him and all bills against the firm must be sent in before 15th August, 1908, or they will not be recognised.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1908. (677)

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR

and

EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

(THE

GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE  
TO EUROPE.)

HAVING been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, we shall be pleased to give any information as to rates of passage, &c., in connection with above.

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1908. (47)

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to those of the ordinary weak and infirm, the difference in the result is almost神奇的 (miraculous). The NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

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Announcements.

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LIME FRUIT  
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HONGKONG, CHINA &amp; MANILA.

Established 1841.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1908.

For seagoing vessels arriving in port, two separate forms are provided and one or other of these must be filled up and signed on board either by the master or surgeon. These forms consist of (1) a form for healthy vessels arriving in port, (2) a more elaborate one eliciting full particulars of the voyage and intended to apply to "suspected" or "infected" ships, i.e., ships coming from an infected port in less than 12 days or having sickness on board at the time of arrival, or having had it within the last 12 days.

## THE INSPECTION OF EMIGRANTS.

This inspection is carried out with the view of preventing passengers having infectious disease embarking on vessels leaving port, and thus endangering the health and safety of the other passengers and crew. The health officer is not concerned with the physical fitness of any passenger for labour, but solely to prevent any infectious disease being transported. This constitutes a very important part of the duty of the health officer. During the year there were 105,967 emigrants leaving the port, every one of whom had to be inspected. Of these the majority (83,048), went to the Straits Settlements, while 12,919 were for other ports, viz., San Francisco, Vancouver, Mexico, Peru, Mauritius, etc. The emigration to Mexico and Peru is of recent date and the numbers to these ports seem to be on the increase. Emigrants for American ports, Mexico and Canada undergo a searching examination on board the bulk of the Disinfecting Bureau prior to embarkation on the steamers. Each man is given a disinfecting bath, his temperature taken and his clothing and personal effects passed through the disinfecting plant under the supervision of the medical men of the various steamship companies which carry these passengers. They then embark and undergo their final examination on board by us before the steamer sails. It will be readily seen that this minimises the possibility of transportation of infectious diseases. This formality is insisted on by the Government of the respective countries, as when this is done, no quarantine is enforced on the ship unless an infectious case occurs during the voyage, and this thus avoids the heavy expenditure entailed in 14 days' quarantine. It is, moreover, much more effective.

Out of the number of emigrants examined—105,967—there were 386 rejections for the following diseases: fevers, etc.; small-pox, plague, malaria, etc. Phthisis is an obviously well marked stage is not allowed to proceed. Skin diseases: Under this are chiefly extensive cases of scabies and ringworm. Eye diseases: Pronounced trachoma and purulent ophthalmia are the chief diseases; the latter more, frequently seen in children. Beri-beri when easily seen of the wet or dropical type. Venereal diseases: Primary and well marked secondary types. Old age and general debility, etc.; the obviously very old and infirm in an emaciated state.

Emigration during the first half of the year increased considerably over last year. Table IV shows the comparison of the two years 1905 and 1907 for the first six months and showing an increase of about 24,000.

## QUARANTINE DUTY.

During the first nine ships were detained in quarantine for the following diseases:

Small-pox 5 ships, plague 2 ships, cholera 1 ship, and anthrax in cattle 1 ship.

## IMMIGRATION.

Return immigrants from Singapore and other ports are not medically examined except when a port has been declared infected by us. Immigrants are always carefully examined when coming from a port proclaimed as "infected." When such ports as Shanghai and Singapore are proclaimed, the increase of work becomes considerable and involves the necessity of a second launch.

Ordinary business communication should be addressed to The Manager.

The Editor will not undertake to be responsible for any rejected MS., nor to return any Contribution.

NOTICE.

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The postage on the weekly issue to any part of the world is 20 cents per quarter.

Single Copies, Daily, ten cents; Weekly, twenty-five cents.

ON and after the 1st January, 1909, the fees (payable monthly) at Queen's College, will be as under:—Classes I, II and III, \$4; Classes IV, V and VI, \$14 per annum.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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INFORMATION has been received from the Consul for France to the effect that Hongkong has been declared an infected port by the Government of Indo-China.

A RICKSHA coolie named Ip Tsoi Muo was fined \$5 in the Police Court, yesterday, for refusing to accept hire while disengaged. Mr. A. Razick, of 24 Upper Lascar Row, was the prosecutor.

Mr. G. CHAVTOR, manager of the Kowloon Hotel, prosecuted a coolie at the Police Court to-day, for trespass. The coolie was found in the servants' quarters of the hotel yesterday. The Magistrate (Mr. Kemp) fined defendant \$5.

The Health Officer of the Port describes the medical inspection work in the harbour of the Colony in his last annual report. He writes:

This consists of the routine visiting of every ship arriving in port between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. The great bulk of the vessels arrive before 12 noon and those arriving after 6 p.m. are visited the first thing in the morning. This applies to vessels which come in "healthy," i.e., not from an infected port and having no sickness on board; while "infected" vessels may not come into their moorings after 6 p.m., unless they have a duly qualified surgeon on board who certifies to the freedom of the ship from any infectious disease. During the year there were 4,182 arrivals and of this number 1,856 were British and 2,326 Foreign ships. These figures allude to sea-going ships only. Canton steamers are not regularly boarded except from Plague or other infectious disease is raging in that Port or when intimation reaches us of a passenger having come from any particular steamer with an infectious disease. The vessel in such circumstances is placed under quarantine regulations. Junks are not boarded by us.

A MAN called Michael Boudakoff has arrived in St. Petersburg, who claims to be the oldest man in the world. He is 115 years old. He entered the army in 1797 at the age of 15, and served as a soldier for over 60 years. He fought in many wars including the campaign of 1812. He is in good health, and his hearing is not in the least impaired.

## RICOH FUND BAZAAR.

EXPECTED TO MAKE \$7,000.

The committee of the Food Fund Bazaar at Kennedytown can congratulate themselves upon having in hand no less sum than \$50,000 which is to be augmented by the proceeds of the auction sale of the un-disposed of articles by public auction this afternoon. In addition the sale of tickets, when all are gathered in from the various agencies, is expected to bring in about \$10,000. So that for certain the Committee can account for not less than \$60,000; it is not improbable that the balance on the right side will reach a sum of \$70,000. This money the Committee will disburse in rice and necessary articles to relieve the most necessitous cases in the devastated districts.

The Committee beg to acknowledge with thanks the following further contributions:

Mr. Murray Stewart cheque..... \$200  
The Trustees Paines Charity Fund cheque for..... 200  
Mr. Wong Chuk Lam..... 100  
Mr. Leong Yee Kok..... 200  
Mr. Fung Ti..... 200  
Mr. Leung Ho Tuk Yuen..... 100  
Mr. Wong Tit Fai..... 50  
Mr. Leong Fai Nam..... 50  
Mr. Yit Yuk Shang..... 50  
Mr. Man Tsz Ting..... 50  
Mr. Muu Kwai Shan..... 50  
Mr. Woon Yum Tong..... 100  
Mrs. Wong Loong Shih..... 50  
Mr. H. P. White \$50, not \$15.00 as announced yesterday.

From the Tung Wa Relief Funds, a sum of \$7,000 has already been remitted to the Central Organisation, for distribution, in Canton.

## KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

## HEALTH OF THE EMPLOYERS.

The report of Dr. J. W. Hartley, medical officer to the Kowloon-Canton Railway, for last year, reads:—

Although during 1906 no records of sickness amongst railway employees were kept, on account of there being no medical officer until towards the end of the year, it is obvious, judging from the state of things which prevailed during the summer of that year that a very great improvement has been made and maintained in the general health of the various camps; and that railway work has proceeded throughout the year with no hindrance on account of sickness.

The average number of men employed, exclusive of European contractors and their employees, was approximately 2,400.

As these men have been scattered over the whole line from Kowloon to the frontier, it has been impossible to keep an accurate record of all cases of sickness, and case-books have only been kept in the two main camps, viz., both and south faces of Beacon Hill Tunnel.

Dispensaries have been established at these two main camps and stock mixtures have been kept at Lokloka, Taipo, and Fanling.

At Taipo the railway employees also receive treatment and medicine at the Government dispensary.

There is a European sanitary inspector at the north face camp, and scavenging coolies are employed at the larger camps to wash-out and whitewash frequently the coolie-sheds, kitchens, and latrines, to keep the nullahs free from obstruction and prevent if possible the formation of pools, and generally to keep the camp in a state of cleanliness.

Nullah-training was found to be too expensive an undertaking to be carried out and kerosene oil has been employed as a preventative against mosquito-bredding. The oil is poured over the pools in the neighbourhood of the camps every week.

The various camps between Kowloon, Taipo and Fanling are visited almost daily and beyond at intervals.

The vast majority of cases of sickness have been due to malarial fever, simple tertian and sub-tertian being general and quartan rare. Injuries, dysentery, beri-beri and parasitic skin diseases form the bulk of the remainder.

Five-grain quinine tablets have been administered daily as far as practicable to all the coolies at the north and south face camps, and this measure has no doubt had a marked effect in reducing the number of cases of Malaria.

The administration of quinine as a daily routine was commenced in July and there was a steady decline in the number of admissions from that time.

The total number of entries at the north and south face camps was 3,667.

Of these the following are the principal diseases:—malaria 1,168, dysentery 124, injuries 371, beri-beri 84, and skin diseases 280.

Injuries for the most part have been slight and there have been very few serious accidents.

Twenty-two deaths occurred during the year actually on the works and for the most part before medical aid was summoned. These deaths were due to the following causes:—

Pneumonia 2, beri-beri 7, malaria 5, accident 6 and heart disease 2; total 22.

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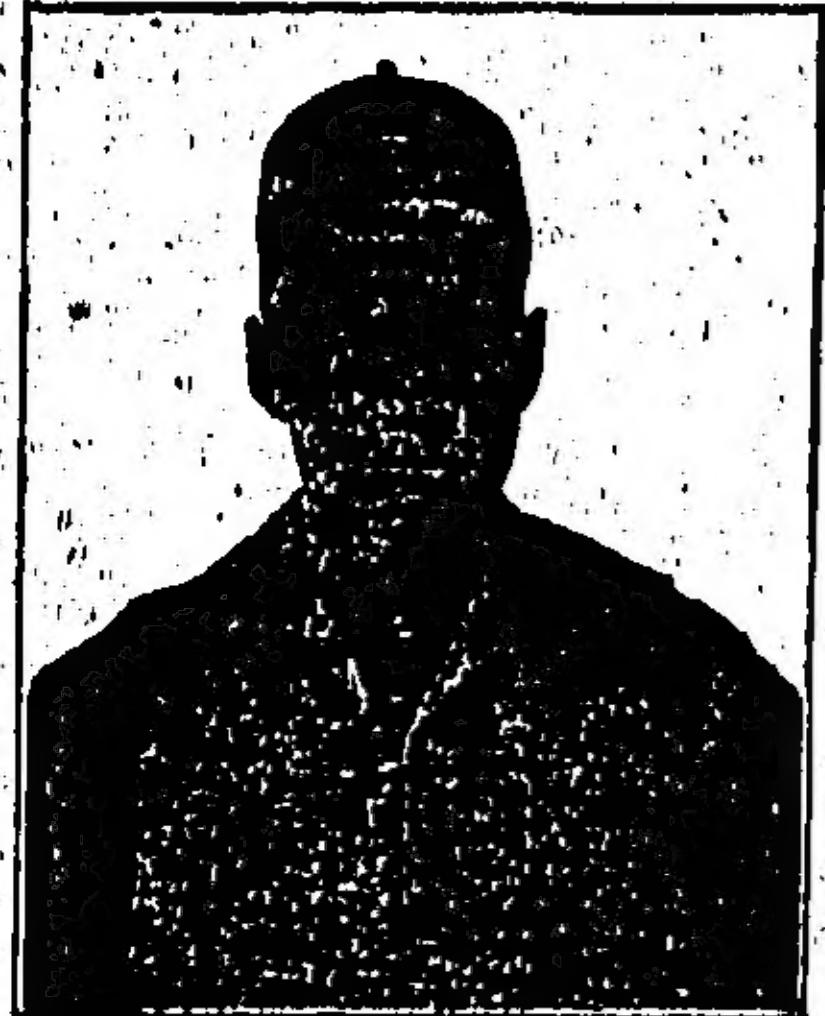
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## Reward of Gallantry

PRESENTATION AT TUNG WA HOSPITAL.

COMPLIMENTARY SPEECHES.

LAU TAI,  
COXSWAIN, STEAM-LAUNCH 'KAM SHUN'.

At the invitation of the Committee of the Tung Wa Hospital, a representative gathering of the Chinese community assembled at the meeting-hall of that world-famed institution, this afternoon, on the occasion of the presentation of medals and purses to the coxswain, who has been recommended for the Royal Humane Society medal, and crew of the steam-launch *Kam Shun*, of Messrs. Tak Kee & Co., who were instrumental in saving over a hundred lives on the fateful night of the 8th June last when the *SS. Pagan* was wrecked off Lantau Island, near Cupid's Pass. Owing to the inclemency of the weather to-day the attendance at the presentation ceremony was not as large as it would have been had the weather been fine.

It is a strange commentary on the inaptness of the foreign community when only three European gentlemen (including the Registrar General) attended the function. Europeans have been so prone to cavil at Chinese callousness that it might have been thought, on an occasion like the present, they would have turned out in large numbers to mark their appreciation of a gallantly act on the part of a small band of Chinamen who have shown their humanity in a conspicuous manner.

It is to be regretted that His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, did not make the presentation in person, as, in that event, the ceremony would have been invested with much more *clout* and the Chinese floating population would realize that any act of conspicuous bravery, as that which was the outcome of the humane feelings of the coxswain of the *Kam Shun* and his crew, is appreciated by the representative of His Majesty the King in this Colony at whose hands the reward for such acts of gallantry may be expected.

The duty of making the presentation this afternoon was delegated to the Registrar General. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving accordingly presented, and after a large number present were:—The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Messrs. Ho Kom Tong, Lau, Chu Pak, S. W. Tso, Chau Siu-ki, Wong Fa-lung, Li Shau-hin, Tam Hok-pa (Chairman, Tung Wa Hospital), Ng Ho Chai, Chan Lok-tshun, Cheung Cheung-chi, Tse Tiu-shan, Francisco Tacyat, Siu Yuen-fai, Chan Cheuk-hing, Heung Chie-leung, Cheung Shi-ki, W. E. Clarke, Li Po-kwai, Mok Man-cheung, Capt. T. P. Hall, Leung Pui-chi, Li Man-chi, Kwok Yiu-woon, Tam Tsz-kong, Tse Tat-choy, and Simon Te-yan.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai said:—Mr. Irving, Sir, I have been asked to introduce to you the owner, coxswain and crew of the steam-launch *Kam Shun*, and to request you to be so good as to present to them, on behalf of the leading Chinese, with an embroidered silk banner, one gold and seven silver medals accompanied with gifts of small sum of money. I have great pleasure in so doing, for I consider that a more gallant and successful act in life-saving has never been witnessed within the waters of the Colony than that performed by the master of the *Kam Shun* and his crew on the 8th day of June last. I need not recollect in detail the terrible disaster that overtook the ill-fated vessel *Pagan* on the night of the 8th ultimo, as the incident is doubtless still fresh in your memory and the mind of the public. I shall simply allude to the one bright spot amidst the gloom of that deplorable catastrophe, and that is the comparative few lives lost owing largely to the bravery and promptitude in life-saving shown by the coxswain and crew of the *Kam Shun*. The *Kam Shun* was the first vessel that reached the *Pagan* before she sank, and by its timely and most valuable aid alone about 130 out of something like 200 persons on board were successfully delivered from a watery grave. I have been informed that the assistance rendered was not unattended with considerable risk and danger to both vessel and crew of the rescuing boat, and this makes the merit of the rescuers all the greater and our admiration of their humanity and gallantry all the more profound. As a small token of such admiration and as an encouragement to others who may be called upon at some future time to render similar services, we respectfully ask you to present on our behalf to the owner, master and crew with the various momentos which I shall now proceed to enumerate:—

To Mr. Chan Ying Fan, embroidered silk banner.

To Mr. Lau Tai, the coxswain, a gold medal and a purse of 50 dollars.

To Messrs. Chan Ying, Chan Ho, Young Yau, Sot Look, Cheung Loo, Lai Yung, Ma Ti, a silver medal and a purse of \$5 each. (Applause.)

Mr. Irving then presented to the coxswain a gold medal with a purse for \$50, and to each of the crew a silver medal and \$5. The silk banner, described in a glass case, was handed

to Mr. Chan Ying Fan, the owner of the *Kam Shun*.

The medals were simple in design bearing on the reverse four Chinese characters meaning: "For conspicuous services in saving people from drowning". In the centre a rhododendron, the indigenous flower of the Island, is shown in relief. On the reverse the following inscription is engraved in Chinese: "Presented by the Committee of the Tung Wa Hospital, directors of the Po Leung Kok Society and the leading Chinese, gentry and merchants of Hongkong."

The flag is of purely Chinese design. It is of light blue silk with a zig-zag fringe of the same material but sea-green in colour. In the centre are worked four large Chinese characters in red reading: "For merit in life-saving". The banner was enclosed in a glass case with a single Chinese character which means "Reward". The flag was designed and made by Nam Chee, the well-known firm of flag-makers, in Hong Kong Street.

As each advanced to receive at the hands of Mr. Irving his memento, he was greeted with applause by assembly.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving having made the presentation said:—Dr. Ho Kai, Directors of the Tung Wa Hospital, and gentlemen, it has given me much pleasure to assist at the interesting ceremony which you have come here to-day to witness. I have handed a banner, medals gold and silver and other rewards to the owner, coxswain and crew of the steam-launch *Kam Shun*, to commemorate an action which will long live in the annals of Hongkong and to mark the appreciation of the Chinese public. Without that timely action, that commendable promptitude there are many Chinese families who would to-day be mourning the loss of their nearest and dearest. Napoleon the Great once praised "the 3 o'clock in the morning courage" as the sort that is rarest and most valuable. I think that our friends here must have been inspired by something of that quality when, at 10 o'clock on a dark night of wind and rain, without a moment's hesitation they answered to the call of duty. Fortunately no lives were lost among the rescuers; but that does not lessen the risk incurred, the risk of panic and the mad rush which has before now enveloped rescuers and all in a common destruction.

The Hon. Registrar General addressed the recipients in Chinese as follows:—There is a Chinese saying, who saves a life is better than who builds seven pagodas. You have saved over 130 lives and have thus acquired much merit. Heaven will surely give you prosperity, and your sons and grandsons will be many. (Loud Applause.)

Continuing in English the Hon. Mr. Irving congratulated the leading Chinese on the spirit which prompted them to organise the presentation and made particular reference to Mr. Ho Kom-tong as the chief mover in the matter, (Applause.)

Mr. Ng Tiong-chi, rendered into Chinese Mr. Irving's address, sentence by sentence.

After receiving the medal and purse Lau Tai, the coxswain, speaking in Chinese, briefly thanked the Hon. Mr. Irving for the gift which he felt honour in accepting.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong—Before we disperse, I think it is due from us to Mr. Irving to thank him for having kindly consented, at our request, to make the presentations this afternoon, (hear, hear) and to invest the ceremony with the importance associated with the head of the Government department for Chinese in Hongkong. (Loud Applause.)

On the call of Mr. Ho Kom-tong there was hearty cheer and a "tiger" for Mr. Irving were given.

The proceedings then terminated.

The party were subsequently invited to a cake and wine banquet.

A group photo was then taken by Asoo.

The coxswain and crew of the *Kam Shun* have donated the purses received this afternoon to the Canton Flood Relief Fund.

A HUMANE SOCIETY MEDAL.

We understand that a recommendation has been forwarded Home through His Excellency the Governor that a medal from the Royal Humane Society be awarded to Coxswain Lau Tai for his gallantry. When the medal is received in the Colony a ceremony will take place at the Harbour Master's Office when the Hon. Commander Baiji Taylor, Harbour Master, will make the presentation.

RECEPTION AT TAK-KEE'S.

Later in the afternoon a most interesting function took place at the offices of Messrs. Tak Kee & Co., launch-owners, in Connaught Road Central, when Mr. Chan Ying Fan, head of the firm, made a presentation to the master and crew of the steam-launch *Kam Shun* at the conclusion of which a reception was held. The first part of the ceremony was the unfurling of the silk flag on board the now famous launch. The *Kam Shun* was moored alongside the Company's wharf in front of their offices on the waterfront. Mr. Chan performed the picturesque ceremony. As the flag was run up amidst the good wishes and congratulations of the numerous friends present, long strings of crackers were fired off in token of good fortune. At the invitation of the owner and master the Hon. Mr. Irving, the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, the Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Messrs. Ho Kom Tong, S. W. Tso, and most of the Tung Wa Directors boarded the *Kam Shun* and were taken out on a cruise to Green Island, thence to East Point and back to Blake Pier, Oa. the party's return to the offices of Messrs. Tak Kee there was another and more prolonged salvo of crackers.

Thereafter the coxswain and eight members of the crew were made the recipients of gold medals presented by the owners. Mr. Chan Ying Fan made a short speech in Chinese in making the presentation on behalf of Messrs. Tak Kee & Co. He congratulated the coxswain and his men for their acts of gallantry and hoped that they might live long to wear the gold medals which his firm felt pride in presenting to them. The medals to the coxswain and each

were larger than those to the crew. The names of the recipients are—Lau Tai, coxswain; Sot Look, assistant coxswain; Chan Ying, engineer; Lai Yung, Ma Ti, and Cheung Loo, sailors; and Young Yau and Chan Ho, firemen.

On the reverse of the medals were the initials in relief, "T.K.", with the corresponding Chinese characters meaning "Tak Kee". The inscription on the reverse was in Chinese for the English equivalent of the name of the recipient, "You have saved life even at your own peril. Mo San Sun."

After the presentation the party adjourned to a Chinese dinner when prosperity to Tak Kee & Co., and long life to Lau Tai and his gallant crew were enthusiastically pledged.

AN INTERESTING CAREER.

Lau Tai, a replica of whose photograph we reproduce above, has had a most interesting career. Born at Whampoa, in 1843, of humble parents, who followed the fisherman's adventurous vocation, the hero of the afternoon is now sixty-five years of age. His early boyhood, like most of his class, was spent among the nets on board his father's fishing junk. At the age of 12 his parents sent him to Hongkong where little Lau lent a hand at the oars in a sampan plying for hire in the harbour. For four years the bright boy was thus employed. Being of an ambitious temperament he sought elevation in endeavouring to pilot the old-time sailing vessels carrying opium from India and the China tea clippers in and out of the harbour. So great was his popularity with the "ancient mariners" that for twenty-two years he assisted them in steering their barges into the harbour which was then beginning to rise to fame in the maritime world. With the advent of steamers, however, the pilot's profession became less attractive and at the age of 35, Lau Tai abandoned it to accept service with the now defunct firm of Cheung Kee, steam-launch proprietors. With Cheung Kee he remained six years. Thereafter he was variously employed, enjoying the distinction of having taken the very first launch built at Hongkong to Haiphong. When the *Yau Lee*, a vessel of 110 ft. length, was sold by her owner, a late compatriot with Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., to Manila, Lau Tai shipped as her first mate, returning to Hongkong per the *SS. Zefiro* of Dewey fame. Recognising his ability and integrity, Messrs. Hing Kee & Co., coal merchants and launch-owners, offered him a billet which he accepted. He was accordingly placed in charge of the launch *Ying-long*, being subsequently transferred to the *SS. Wo* which he commanded for four years until her sale in 1895. In that year he joined the Tak-kee firm and has remained in their employ since then for thirteen years, being the "commodore" of Tak-kee's large fleet of steam-launches.

Lau Tai has two sons, both selecting to follow the "old salt" profession. The elder of the brothers is with the Wing Sun firm, while the younger is the master of the *Kam Shun* Chinese steam-launch.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week just past, Messrs. E. S. Kadourie & Co. write on 17th inst.:

During the week under review, there has not been any important change to note in our market, and business continues quiet.

Bank—During the early part of the week Hongkong and Shanghai Banks ruled fairly quiet, but towards the close a demand set in and sales have been effected at \$7.50. The London rate has improved to \$8.00. It is officially announced that, subject to audit, the directors of this Corporation will recommend at the forthcoming meeting, the payment to shareholders of a dividend of 5s per share; add to reserve fund \$50,000; write off Bank premises account \$25,000; and carry forward about \$1,000,000.

Marine Insurances—Cantons have declined to \$1.50, without business to report. North China continue quiet at Tls. 77. Small sales of Unions have been put through at \$7.00. There are buyers of Yangtze in the North at the improved rate of \$6.00.

Fire Insurances—China Fires have been sold at \$7.50. Hongkong Fire can be placed at \$3.50.

Shipping—China & Manilas and Donglaes continue quiet at quotations. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been booked at \$10. Star Ferries, old and new, are unchanged.

R-fineries—China Sugars remain quiet at \$10. Perak Sugars have found buyers in the North at Tls. 95.

Mining—Chinese Engineering are some what firmer, after sales at Tls. 15. Ruby are quiet and neglected at \$7.

Docks Wharves and Godowns—Whampoa Docks are firm at \$10. There are buyers of Shanghai Docks at Tls. 79, while Hongkew Wharves have shown a further decline to Tls. 212 closing with sellers at the rate.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings—Hongkong Lands have buyers at the reduced rate of \$98, while Hongkong Hotels can be had at \$90. Humphries Estates can be secured at \$102. Shanghai Lands are wanted in the North at Tls. 122.

Cotton Mills—Hongkong Cottons can be sold at \$1. In the North, Internationals are offering at Tls. 64, and Soy Chees at Tls. 242. Ewos have risen to Tls. 61 closing with buyers.

Miscellaneous—Sales of Green Island Cement have been effected at \$10. China Provisions are firm at \$9 and China Light and Powers at \$6. There are buyers of Langkangs in the North at Tls. 125. Sunnats have improved to Tls. 93, but sellers prevail at the rate.

Exchange—The Banks selling rate on London is 1/20 on demand. T/T rate on Shanghai is 74.

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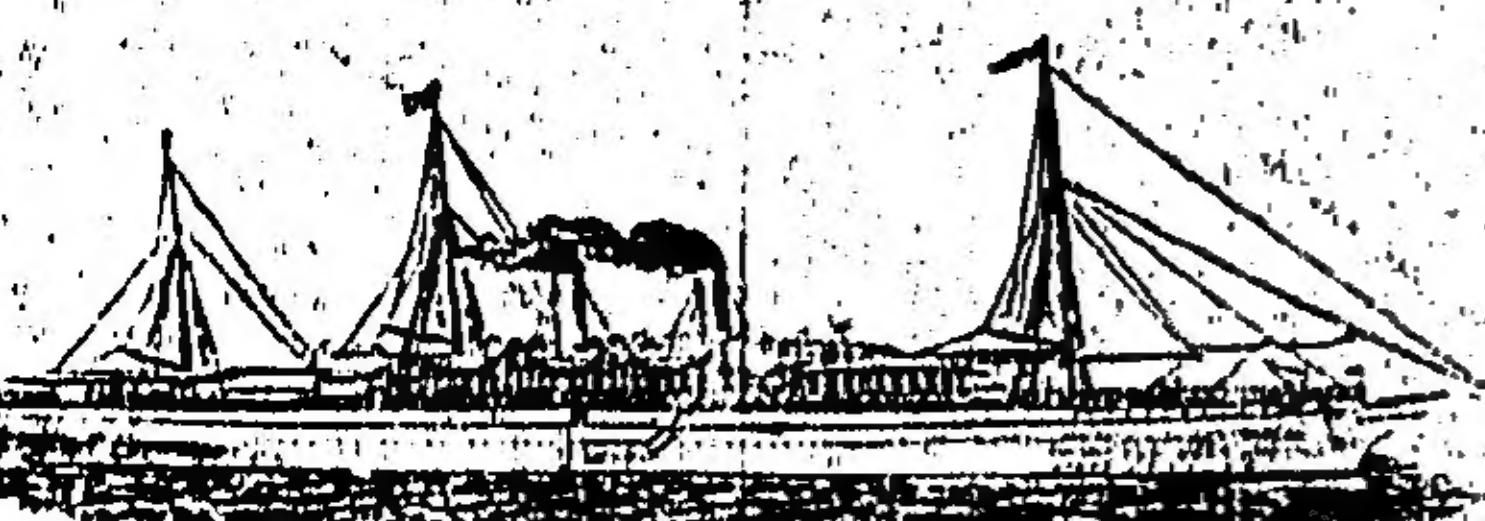
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## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamship	On
TIENTSIN	CHI SHING	WED'DAY, 2nd July, Noon.
SHANGHAI	WU MANGI	WED'DAY, 22nd July, 4 P.M.
SCAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NA HSANG	THURSDAY, 23rd July, Noon.
MANILA	YUEN SANG	FRIDAY, 24th July, 4 P.M.
SANDAKAN	MAU SANG	TUESDAY, 28th July, Noon.
MANILA	LOONG SANG	FRIDAY, 31st July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE	FOOK SANG	FRIDAY, 14th August, Noon.
& MOJI		

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

OCCUPYING 24 DAYS.

The steamer *Kuikang*, *Namang* and *Fookang* leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai, and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

General Managers.

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## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL.

SHANGHAI & CHINKIANG	FOOCHOW	20th July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	RIUKIANG	21st "
MANILA	TAMING	21st "
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	LINAN	23rd Daylight.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY	TAIYUAN	3rd Aug., 4 P.M.

MANILA and TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior Passenger accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

SHANGHAI STEAMERS have good Saloon Passenger accommodation and take cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Reduced Saloon Fares, Single and Return, to Manila and Australia.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1908.



## CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO	8540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 25th July, at Noon.
RUBI	8540	Almond	"	SATURDAY, 1st August, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1908.

## Shipping Steamers.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## EXTRA SAILING—EUROPEAN LINE.

FOR GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PEKING, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.

THE Co.'s Newly Built Passenger Steamer.

## " AMO MARU "

(Tone 9,000 gross reg., Captain F. L. Sommar), will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, 12th August, at Daylight.

Every known comfort provided on board for travellers. First class staterooms and ship, comprising ordinary Two Berth Cabins, Single Berth Cabins and Full Suite. Elegant Dining Saloon, Drawing Room, Social Hall and Smoking Room. Electric Light and Electric Fans throughout. Barber Saloon, Dark Room and Laundry. Doctor and Stewardess. Unexcelled service.

Cheapest passage rates to Europe and around the world. For further particulars apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1908. [165]



## HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

## AMERICAN-ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the MALABAR COAST.)

S.S. "MONTROSE" ..... On 11th August, 1908.

For freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.,

General Managers. [666]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

## " LIGHTNING "

Captain A. E. Gentile, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 21st inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASOON & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1908. [673]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

## TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

THE Steamship

## " DEVANHA "

Captain T. H. Hides, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 25th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. *Moldiva*, 10,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation for the old vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from *Moldiva* by the R.M.S. *Perseus*, due in London on 6th September, 1908.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Content and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,

acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1908. [613]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

(Calling at Timor, Port Darwin, and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaid, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

## " EMPIRE "

Captain Helms, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 21st July, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.H.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1908. [616]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., AND TAGOMA, VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION.

ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC

LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

## A RIVER OF LAVA.

REMARKABLE SCENE ON AN ISLAND.

Auckland, June 15.

A remarkable volcanic outburst began in the island of Savaii in the Samoa group on May 10.

The flow of lava, which was the greatest in the history of the island, amounted to between two and three thousand tons a minute, and tumbled down in a great river from six inches to six feet deep, stretching in an almost continuous sheet over a width of eight miles.

On reaching the coast it flowed over the cliffs into the sea, causing steam to rise in immense quantities.

The lava destroyed many native houses, and for a time threatened the town of Matavai, but at the time of the despatch of the news that place was considered safe.—Reuters.

## COMMERCIAL.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

	Setting	1/9 11/16
London—Bank T.T.		1/9 11/16
Do demand		1/9
Do 4 months' sight		1/9 15/16
France—Bank T.T.		2/7
America—Bank T.T.		4/1
Germany—Bank T.T.		4/4
India T.T.		1/9
Do demand		1/9
Shanghai—Bank T.T.		7/4
Singapore—1/9 11/16 T.T. per H.K. Stock		8/8
Japan—Bank T.T.		1/9
Java—Bank T.T.		1/9
Buying		1/10 11/16
6 months' sight L/C		1/10 11/16
6 months' sight L/C		1/10 11/16
10 days' sight San Francisco & New York		4/4
4 months' sight do		4/5
10 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne		1/10 5/16
4 months' sight France		2/3
6 months' sight " "		2/3
4 months' sight Germany		1/8/1
Bar Silver		2/4 7/16
Bank of England rate		2/1
Sovereign		10/95

## SHIPPING AND MAIL

## MAIL

French (Armand Uebel) 20th inst.

American (A. S.) 21st inst.

Canadian (Empress of China) 21st inst.

American (Mongolia) 28th inst.

German (P. R. Regent Luitpold) 23rd inst.

The a.s. Zafiro left Manila on 18th inst., and is due here on 20th inst., at 6 p.m.

The P. M. S. Co.'s a.s. Mongolia sails from Yokohama to-day, and will be due to arrive at Hongkong on 26th inst.

The a.s. Istra left Shanghai via Foochow on 17th inst., pm, and may be expected here on 22nd inst., a.m.

The Imperial German Mail a.s. Prins Regent Luitpold carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 30th ult., left Colombo yesterday p.m., and may be expected here on 28th inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s a.s. Empress of China arrived at Yokohama at 7:30 a.m., on 18th inst., and leaves again at noon, same day, for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 8 a.m., on 20th inst.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 15th at 5 a.m.—The depression lying over E. Japan yesterday, has moved into the Pacific.

The barometer has risen moderately in Japan, and a slight rise has taken place also over the Philippines and the S. coast of China. It has fallen slightly over the Yangtze valley.

An area of low pressure extends from Tongking, over S. China, to the Lower Yangtze.

Pressure is highest over the E. Philippines.

Strong monsoon may be expected in the China Sea, and variable winds in the Formosa Channel.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.42 inches.

## FORECAST

1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood, S.W. winds, fresh; squally; thunder storms.

2.—Formosa Channel, variable and S. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

## Shipping

## Arrivals

Signal, Ger. a.s. 8/4, G. Schalckier, 17th July.—Saigon 13th July, Rice, &amp; Co.

Surge, Br. a.s. 2/27, Chubb, 17th July.—Keslong, Br. a.s. 5/17, Gao, U. &amp; Co. Ltd.

Haihan, Fr. a.s. 3/7, O. A. Höeg, 18th July.—Pakhoi and Hoibow 16th July, Gao, A. R. M.

Foothow, Br. a.s. 1/17, E. French, 18th July.—Canton 17th July, Rice, &amp; Co.

Chiyan, Ch. a.s. 1/17, C. Stewart, 18th July.—Shanghai 15th July, Gao, C. M. S. N. Co.

Shantung Maru, Jap. a.s. 6/16, W. W. Greene, 14th July.—San Francisco and Ports 10th June.—Gao, Gen. &amp; N. Y. K.

Onang, Br. a.s. 1/27, R. Cox, 14th June.—Mojy Jap. Coal, J. M. &amp; Co.

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Phenpum, Br. a.s. 1/17, J. Scott, 16th July.—Saigon 20th June, Gen.—Chinese.

Prometheus, Nor. a.s. 1/23, O. Kornelissen, 9th July.—Saigon 4th July, Rice, &amp; Co.

Rager, Nor. a.s. 1/20, Neisen, 9th July.—Swatow, 8th July, Ballast.—Asgard, Thoresen &amp; Co.

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## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie &amp; Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
<b>BANKS.</b>								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	12,000	\$125.	\$125	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,000,387	Final of 5/- on old and 6/- on new shares for 1-year ending 31.12.07	51%	\$750 buyers London £80.10/-
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>								
Capital Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	none	\$20/- for 1906	88%	\$225
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$5	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 204,424	Interim of 7/6 ex 2/5 for 1907	6%	Tls. 778
<b>Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited</b>								
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,506,011	Final of 5/- making \$15 for 1906, and Interim of 15/- in 1907	58%	\$700 sellers
<b>Fire INSURANCES.</b>								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,507,603	\$1/- and bonus \$3 for 1906	91%	\$160
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,512,422	\$6 and bonus \$3 for 1906	86%	\$21 buyers
<b>SHIPPING.</b>								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,513,035	5/- for 1906	31%	\$21
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Nil	\$4/- for 6 months ending 30.12.07	101%	\$38
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamship Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,513,473	5/- for 1906, making in all \$22/- for year ending 31.12.07	78%	\$29
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) "Do" (Deferred)	60,000	45	45	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,513,694	5/- for 1906 @ ex 2/21 - \$2.24 per share	58%	\$24 buyers \$20 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 14 making Tls. 31 for 1907	78%	Tls. 45 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	45	45	{ \$1,500,000 }	174,370	Second Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 9 for "A/c 1907")	44%	Tls. 52 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,513,98	\$1.00 for year ending 30.12.07	4%	\$25
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	1,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	6,869	Final of Tls. 14 making Tls. 5 for 1907	128%	110 sellers
<b>REFINERIES.</b>								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Dr. \$279,37	8/- for year ending 31.12.07	...	\$130
Hutop Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Dr. \$335,13	1.40 for 1907	...	\$22
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Dr. \$335,17	Tls. 1 (8%) or 75/- ending 31.12.07	...	Tls. 95 sales
<b>MINING.</b>								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	50,000	45	45	{ \$1,500,000 }	211,356	Interim of 1/6 (No. 10 for account 1908)	78%	Tls. 150 sales
Raub Australian Gold Minlog Company, Limited	50,000	45	45	{ \$1,500,000 }	211,358	1/12 of 1/- - 48/-	57%	
<b>DOCKS, WHARVES &amp; GODOWNS.</b>								
Fenwick (Gen.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$5	\$5	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$3,726	1.75/- for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$13
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	50	50	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,556	Final of 5/- making \$31 for 1907	78%	\$48
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$441,442	Final of 5/- making \$31 for 1907	78%	\$103
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$1,500,000 }	15,337,42	Final of 5/- 31 making in all Tls. 5 10/-	64%	Tls. 81 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 12,626	Final of Tls. 9 making Tls. 17 for 1907	8%	Tls. 212 sellers
<b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 6,537	Tls. 6 for 1907	6%	Tls. 101 sellers
Astor Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	310,908	\$2/- for year ending 30.6.07	112%	110 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	50,753	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	39,178	\$1.80 for 1906	112%	110 sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	325,475	Final of 5/- making \$71 for 1907	83%	90 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$1,500,000 }	326,015	Final of 5/- making in all \$7 for year	124%	\$98 buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	4,621	70 cents for 1907	61%	\$102
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	1653	5/- for 1907	61%	\$261
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 107,547	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making	61%	Tls. 122 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$1,541	Final of \$2.10 making in all \$4.10 for year	61%	\$48
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>								
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 8,807	Tls. 26 for year ended 31.10.1907	4%	Tls. 61 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$14,269	50 cents for year ending 31.7.07	41%	\$11
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 85,519	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8%)	...	Tls. 61/2 sellers
Laon-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 6,303	Tls. 8 for 1906	...	Tls. 85
Soy Chas Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 50,003	Tls. 30 for 1906	...	Tls. 212 sellers
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>								
Hell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	5,604	12/6	12/6	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$638	1/- per share for 1906	9%	\$71
China Hormeo Company, Limited	50,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	Nil	\$1.20 for 1907	11%	\$102
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$25,000	60 cents for year ended 30.6.06	...	161
Do. Do. special shares	50,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$25,000	80 cents for 1907	83%	59
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$2,074	\$1.30 for year ended 31.7.07	63%	\$20
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	57	56	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$5,078	Final of 75 cents making in all \$1.75 for 1907	113%	\$103/2 sellers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8%	52 buyers
Hall & Holt, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$8,7	\$2 for year ending 28.2.8	10%	\$20 sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	19,321	\$2 for year ending 28.2.8	10%	\$20 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$4,578	\$1 and 20 cents for year ending 29.2.08	21%	\$16
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$1,500,000 }	18,191	Final of 1/5 making in all \$1.50 for 1907	84%	\$20 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch en Landbouw	25,000	50	50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 17,127	Interim of Tls. 10 for account 1908	64%	Tls. 225 buyers
Maatschappij tot Langkat, Limited	25,000	50	50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 27,003	Interim of Tls. 10 for 2nd quarter	64%	52 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	\$7,471	80 cents for fully paid shares and 6 cents on	64%	52 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	Nil	\$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	4%	52 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,500,000 }	Nil	None	58%	52 buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 for 1907	63%	Tls. 113 sellers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 6 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	15%	Tls. 93 sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	{ \$1,500,000 }	Tls. 58,332	Final of 37/6 making \$2.6 for 1907	...	Tls. 395 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	25	25	{ \$1				